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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
Filing Date Granted

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE** within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). **If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☒ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.**

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a
☐ **small entity (statement filed)** ☒ **non-small entity is \$** 130.00.

- ☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☐ missing.
☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$_____ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

- ☐ 2. The following additional claims fees are due:

\$_____ for _____ total claims over 20.

\$_____ for _____ independent claims over 3.

\$_____ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

- ☒ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☒ is missing or unsigned.
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

- ☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- ☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- ☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

- ☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.

- ☐ 8. The application was filed in a language other than English.

Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).

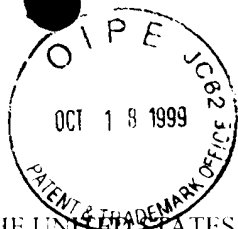
- ☐ 9. OTHER: _____

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Attention: Manager, Application Division

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted" mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on **August 16, 1999**, the following documents are enclosed to complete the filing of the above-identified patent application:

1. 2 separate Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventor(s) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (4 pages and 5 pagers)
2. Copy of "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted" (Form PTO-1533)

The United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 01-1651 (a duplicate of this document is enclosed):

[x] Filing Fee - Original Patent Application [37 CFR 1.16(a)]
[x] Fees for Claims:
[] each independent claim in excess of 3 [37 CFR 1.16(f)]
[x] each claim in excess of 20 [37 CFR 1.16(c)]
[x] each multiple dependent claim(s) [37 CFR 1.16(d)]
SUB TOTAL

- ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below:

| <u>Extension (months)</u> | <u>Fee (for other than small entity)</u> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 month | \$ 110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 months | 370.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 months | 870.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 months | 1,360.00 |

If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.

☒ Late filing Fee \$130.00

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$130.00 and any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-1651.

It is hereby respectfully submitted that the enclosed documents complete the filing of the above-named patent application and justify the filing date of July 27, 1999. Please telephone the undersigned at (408)-563-2726 if there are any questions regarding this matter.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C., 20231, on 10/12/99.


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